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SUBJECT: GSP PRODUCT ADDITIONS

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1. THIS CABLE IS ADDRESSED TO POSTS IN COUNTRIES WHERE
THE GOVERNMENT PETITIONED DURING THIS 1977 PRODUCT REVIEW
TO ADD CERTAIN PRODUCTS TO THE LIST OF PRODUCTS ELIGIBLE
FOR DUTY-FREE TREATMENT UNDER THE US GENERALIZED
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SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES. AS PER REF TEL, THE PRESIDENT
SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DATED FEBRUARY 25 WHICH
CONTAINED GSP PRODUCT AND COMPETITIVE NEED CHANGES IN
THE US GSP LIST TO TAKE EFFECT MARCH 1, 1978. THIS
CABLE CONTAINS THE PARTIAL TEXT OF A LETTER WHICH
DESCRIBES THE PRODUCT REVIEW PROCEDURE. DEPARTMENT
WILL ALSO SEND INDIVIDUAL CABLES TO POSTS DESCRIBING

SPECIFIC PRODUCTS ADDED, DELETED OR PENDING FOR EACH COUNTRY. EMBASSY SHOULD COLLATE CABLES AND SEND LETTER TO APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

2. THE PETITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF (POST COUNTRY) TO MODIFY THE PRODUCT COVERAGE OF THE US GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP) HAS BEEN REVIEWED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED

BY TITLE V OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 AND REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO THAT TITLE THAT ARE CODIFIED AT 15 C.F.R. CHAPTER XX, PART 2007.

3. (PARA 2 OF LETTER-TO BE SUPPLIED IN SEPTTEL).

4. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REGULATIONS CITED ABOVE, THE TRADE POLICY STAFF COMMITTEE (TPSC), CHAIRED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE, COMMERCE, DEFENSE, INTERIOR, LABOR, STATE, AND TREASURY, AND THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, REVIEWED PENDING PETITIONS, INCLUDING YOURS, PRIMARILY TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE IMPORTED ARTICLES IN QUESTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IMPORT-SENSITIVE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE GSP. IN CONDUCTING THAT REVIEW, THE TPSC CONSIDERED, IN UNCLASSIFIED

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LIGHT OF THE LEGAL CRITERIA SET FORTH IN TITLE V ON THE TRADE ACT, THE ECONOMIC EFFECT THAT THE ACTIONS REQUESTED WOULD HAVE, INCLUDING THE PROBABLE IMPACT OF THE REQUESTED ACTIONS UPON UNITED STATES PRODUCERS OF LIKE OR DIRECTLY COMPETITIVE ARTICLES AND UPON CONSUMERS. AMONG THE FACTORS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WERE CURRENT LEVELS OF IMPORTS AND OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTION IN RELATION TO THOSE LEVELS IN PAST YEARS AND FUTURE PROJECTIONS, AND THE GENERAL ECONOMIC HEALTH OF THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY INCLUDING CURRENT LEVELS OF AND PROJECTED TRENDS IN EMPLOYMENT IN THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY.

5. (PARA 4 OF LETTER - TO BE SUPPLIED IN SEPTTEL).

6. THE TPSC REPORTED ON ITS STAFF-LEVEL REVIEW TO THE INTERAGENCY TRADE POLICY COMMITTEE REVIEW GROUP, WHICH IS COMPOSED OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY-LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SAME AGENCIES AS THOSE COMPRISING THE TPSC. THE RECOMMENDATIONS RESULTING FROM THIS REVIEW WERE THEN TRANSMITTED TO THE PRESIDENT FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

7. THE NEGATIVE DETERMINATION IN YOUR CASE DOES NOT PREVENT YOU FROM PETITIONING THE TPSC ON THESE ARTICLES IN THE FUTURE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE REGULATIONS. NOR DOES THIS DETERMINATION PREJUDICE A NEW PETITION, IF CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD CHANGE OR IF NEW INFORMATION SHOULD BECOME AVAILABLE THAT IS SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT THE ACTION REQUESTED. VANCE

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